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1. FONMIN ESENBEL, IN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN JANUARY 11 HURRIYET, STATED THAT GOT HAD GIVEN USSE CATEGORIC ASSURANCES THAT NO FOREIGN MILITARY BASES WOULD BE ESTABLISHED IN TURKISH SECTOR OF CYPRUS ONCE TWO-REGION FEDERATION HAD BEEN SET UP. (FONMIN SPOKESMAN AKBIL CONFIRMED TO US JANUARY 13 THAT SUCH ASSURANCES HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE SOVIETS.)

2. ALTHOUGH OTHERWISE THE INTERVIEW COVERED MUCH THE SAME GROUND
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AS JANUARY 10 CUMHURIYET INTERVIEW (REFTEL, SOME ADDITIONAL

POINTS ARE NOTEWORTHY:

A. DENKTASH-CLERIDES TALKS: DENKTASH-CLERIDES TALKS ON NICOSIA AIRPORT, FAMAGUSTA PORT AND POWERS OF THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION COULD NOW BEGIN BECAUSE CLERIDES HAD AGREED TO THE PROVISIO THAT ONLY A CONFERENCE OF THE THREE GUARANTORS AND TWO COMMUNITIEIS COULD DECIDE THE FUTIRE STATUS OF THE ISLAND.

B. RESETTLEMENT OF TURK CYPRIOTS: TURK CYPRIOTS HELD ON BRITISH SBA'S WOULD BE RESETTLED IN THE NORTH; TURKISH MFA HAD "REJECTED ALL PROPOSALS THAT THEY BE SETTLED IN TURKEY."

C. NATURE OF FEDERAL SYSTEM: AIM OF TURKISH SIDE IN A TWO-REGION FEDERAL SYSTEM WAS "ABSOLUTE AUTONOMY" IN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS. "ABOVE THESE TWO STATES THERE WILL BE A "HIGH ORAN" WITH A JOINT ADMINISTRATION TO RUN FOREIGN POLICY."

D. TROOP WITHDRAWALS: "IT IS OUT OF THE QUESTION FOR TURKEY TO WITHDRAW HER MILITARY FORCES FROM THE ISLAND YET."
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